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**SUBJECT: Notice of Intent for to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for Conditional Use
Permit No. CUP23-004 ("Los Banos Sand and Gravel Quarry Project")**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Merced intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and supporting Initial Study (IS) for Conditional Use Permit No. CUP23-004 ("Los Banos Sand and Gravel Quarry Project"), described below, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

LEAD AGENCY: County of Merced, Community & Economic Development Department
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APPLICANT: Triangle Rock Products, LLC

PROJECT DESCRIPTION & LOCATION: The project is a request to expand operations by approximately 340 acres with the extension of sand and gravel mining and reclamation activities to two (2) properties, identified Sunset Property and Turner Property, which adjoin the existing mining facility. The project site is generally located on the south side of West Sunset Avenue, approximately 0.5 miles west of South Creek Road in the Los Banos area. The project site is identified as Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 088-070-039, 088-060-079, and 088-070-086 (Turner Property) and 083-210-033 (Sunset Property). The project site is designated Agricultural land use in the General Plan and zoned A-1 (General Agricultural).

PUBLIC REVIEW & COMMENTS: April 8, 2024 – May 8, 2024

The IS/MND is being circulated for a 30-day public review and comment period. Any written comments on the IS/MND must be received at the above address or above email no later than 5:00 PM on the end date of the public review period.

Copies of the IS/MND are available to review at the above address Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM and on the County's website at <http://www.countyofmerced.com/414/Environmental-Documents> under the Initial Study heading.

The Merced County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider adoption of the MND at a future date to be determined. This meeting will be separately noticed when the date and time are determined.

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